







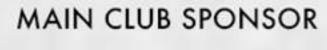


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# TITITY Y DEATH

First team manager Jimmy Dean writes his latest set of notes...



Good afternoon, and welcome back to the Attis Arena for this afternoon's game against Alfreton Town.

I welcome everyone associated with our opposition here today, including Billy Heath, his staff and players.

Our trip there back at the end of summer last year was made harder following an early red card for Kian Scales. In the end, we played for around 100 minutes with 10 players, and battled to a 2-2 draw, leading twice.

Since that game, Alfreton have had a really good season and are competing with us in the play-off positions. They start the day in fifth and are six points behind us, having won their last three games, so we're under no illusions that this encounter will be another tough one for sure.

Since my last set of notes, we've had three tough games with disappointing results. Against Curzon Ashton, we had the better of the play and lost to a set piece, which was their one shot on target in the game, which was again massively frustrating.

We went to Scarborough and, in isolation, picked up a good point on the road in a goalless draw. We were the first team to go there and stop them scoring on home soil this season, and thought we had a very strong claim for a penalty which wasn't given. Ultimately, it was another fixture were we felt we could and should have taken all three points, and cut the gap at the top.

On Tuesday, we were at South Shields. The performance we

put in, particularly in the first half, was a much improved one, but we failed to score in the opening 45 minutes, despite a number of crosses into the penalty area, and final third entries. To concede seconds into the second half was unacceptable and again gave us a mountain to climb. We got an equaliser, and it felt as if we'd go on to win it before conceding another poor goal. Again, we were aggrieved with decisions going against us, with Tyler Denton's header to equalise chalked off for offside, when it was clear at the time, and having seen the replay, that he was onside from the cross.

With 12 games to go, there are a lot of points to play for and a lot at stake. We're in a poor run of form, but we are still second in the league and are working really hard to right the wrongs of the last couple of weeks.

We recently welcomed three new faces into the building. Liam McAlinden has already showed his quality with the two appearances he's made away

from home, while Dylan Youmbi and Flynn Clarke have both made their debuts from the bench. All three add to what we already have in the group, and we're always looking to see if we can improve the squad for the run-in. A lot of thanks and respect go to the Board once more for bringing us out of the embargo and trying to help us in the best way they can to bring reenforcements into the building.

We continue to need your support during this spell. We're entering the business end of the season, and need as much backing as we can. You've been fantastic all season, and we have all united when it has really mattered in the past off the pitch. Now we need to to that on the pitch.

Up the Iron!







#### CIIB NEWS

A look at the news since the last time we met...

# IRON TO HOST SHEFFIELD UNITED UNDER-ZIS AGAINST SWANSEA CITY UNDER-ZIS IN THE PREMIER LEAGUE CUP

The Attis Arena is hosting Sheffield United Under-21s against Swansea City Under-21s in the second round of the Premier League Cup on Tuesday, February 27th (7pm kick-off).

Despite defeat in the final round of group games, Michael Collins' Blades topped Group B and will face the Swans who were runners up in Group A, behind Aston Villa.

Tickets for the game will be available on the night at £3 for adults or £1 concessions, with entry free for both Sheffield United and Scunthorpe United season ticket holders.

#### FIN SHRIMPTON JOINS SPENNYMOOR TOWN ON LOAN

Midfielder Fin Shrimpton has joined fellow National League North side Spennymoor Town on an initial one-month loan.

The 21-year-old has made a total of 16 appearances for the Iron this season, inclusive of five starts, scoring twice, netting in the wins over Scarborough Athletic and Farsley Celtic, while also netting a further goal in pre-season against Hull City. In total, he's made 38 competitive appearances for the club in all competitions.

Throughout his time at Scunthorpe, since graduating from the academy, he's enjoyed loan spells at Cleethorpes Town and Gainsborough Trinity.

We wish Fin the best of his luck for his spell away.

#### EMBARGO LIFTED

Owner and chairperson
Michelle Harness and Chief
Executive Officer Lee
Turnbull have both worked
tirelessly, and have been in
constant dialogue with the
National League, to ensure
the Iron have been moving to
comply with their restrictions
and move the team out of an
embargo.

With a historic HMRC backlog now satisfied, and a continuous evidencing of United's cashflow and payments provided throughout the current tenure, the Iron can begin to move another step forward in the side's quest for sustainability.

The National League confirmed on Monday morning that, subject to a continuance of the Iron's endeavours in rectifying and satisfying the volume of historic debt, the side can move forward out of an embargo for the very first time under the current ownership.

The Iron welcomed Flynn Clarke, Liam McAlinden and Dylan Youmbi to the club off the back of the embargo being lifted.

Clarke arrives on loan from Norwich City where he signed for over £1million from Peterborough United. The 21-year-old attacker made his debut off the bench on Tuesday.

McAlinden is at the club after his departure from Wrexham, and has looked lively over the last two games, while Youmbi's loan to Farsley was cut short in order to join the Iron from Bradford City, making his debut at Scarborough.

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#### CLUB RECORDS

2010, 2011, 2022

League win: 8-1 v Luton Town (Division Three - April 24, 1965), v Torquay United (Division Three - October 28, 1995)

League points: 91 - League One - 2006/07 League goals: 88 - Division Three North - 1957/58

Shareholders with over 10% of the issued shares: Michelle Harness - 90.12%

The Club is a member of the Vanarama National League and is therefore subject to the League's rules and regulations.



# FOCUS ON... TOMPUGH

We continue our interviews with the Iron squad this season by talking to returning midfielder Tom Pugh, following his loan spell to Hereford...



It's been a frustrating season for Tom Pugh on a personal level. Eager to come back firing in pre-season, the midfielder picked up an injury in training from a challenge, and had his progression pinned back, with his campaign only really getting back on track thanks to a loan move to fellow Vanarama National League North side Hereford.

The fact that Pugh was out of the side prior to his switch to Edgar Street could be unchallenged. The Iron were top of the league, scoring goals, the midfield was free-flowing, and the 23-year-old was either consigned to the bench, or not involved in the matchday squad at all.

"It's been stop-start for me. I started the season with an injury. When I came back, I wasn't getting any game time,

so I went out to Hereford to get some minutes. Since I've been recalled, I've been getting minutes here."

Going to play for Paul Caddis' side became a blessing in disguise. He was playing every week, and even scored two outstanding goals, leading to his return to the Attis Arena.

"I loved my time at Hereford. I got on well with the gaffer, the fans and the players, so I really enjoyed it. Doing three hours travelling to a game every

week, sometimes twice a week wasn't the best, but you eventually get used it. They're a part time side, but we had a lot of Saturday-Tuesday games, so it wasn't that bad. I was also still training at Scunthorpe as well in between.

"There are a few differences between here and there, but a lot of similarities as well.

"The main thing for me when I was recalled was to come back and play. I was doing well there, I'd scored two goals in

"The main thing for me when I was recalled was to come back and play... I had two goals in two games, and I wanted to come back and carry that on..."

Tom Pugh

two games, so I wanted to come back in and carried that on. I came back to starting, and it was supposed to be at Darlington, but the game got called off last minute. We went on to Peterborough Sports, and ended up getting the win there, so it was a good return."

Since his return, Pugh was thrust straight back into the XI, as he explained previously, but that return should have come at Darlington prior to Peterborough Sports. With a lot of options in midfield, with energy amongst Pugh's biggest attributes, he's been part of a combination that's included captain Michael Clunan, workhorse Kian Scales and matchwinner Jacob Butterfield, which inevitably means that competition for places has seen changes over the last few weeks, with Jimmy Dean looking to secure results.

"As a player, you just want to be playing 90 minutes, and play football. It's been tough for the gaffer with results not going our way, and the opposition, so we all understand he's needed to change it up. We understand that side of it, and the gaffer understands we all want to play each week.

"My roles here and at Hereford are similar when I'm in the team. Paul Caddis saw me as a box-to-box, saw me running into the channels, and essentially that's what I do here as well. I'm box-to-box, I run into the channels. I need that freedom and confidence to get on the ball and do what I can do.

"I think it's about having confidence in myself to get on the ball and do things that I'm capable of doing instead of playing the simple option, or the easy option. I need to try and change the game."

Aside from wins over Peterborough Sports and Rushall Olympic, the Iron have found victories and form hard to come by in recent weeks. Pugh continued by speaking on the current run.





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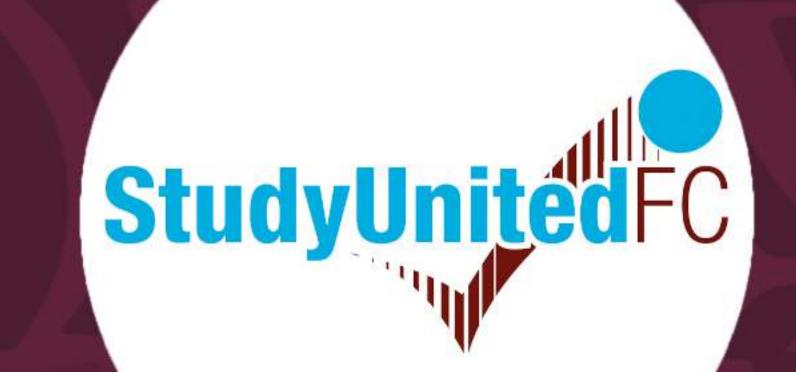


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#### SHUDY UNITED

Steve Parsons rounds-up the latest news from the Study Support Centre at the stadium...



Good afternoon and welcome to the Attis Arena for this Vanarama National League North match, where we welcome supporters, players, directors and personnel of the Reds.

We hope that it will be an entertaining game and that the lron are celebrating a victory at the final whistle!

We had a great half term offering our activities to the children of North Lincolnshire.

Using our Limitless Lego sets, imaginations were sparked and some fantastic stories were created. As the stories moved on, photographs were taken with our iPads and used in the Lego Story Visualizer app. Participants were then able to create a comic style storybook which they annotated and added visual effects.

We also held a treasure hunt around the Attis Arena looking for Lego Minifigures. Members of Humberside Fire and Rescue also attended the session and had great fun digging into the Lego!

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the road and will be offering FREE after school sessions in Baysgarth (Barton), Crowle and Brigg Community Hubs. Keep an eye on our social media and website for details.

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A commercial update ahead of today's game...

Good afternoon and welcome back to the Attis Arena for today's game.

As always, we thank our sponsors from our last encounter here against Curzon Ashton. Despite a narrow defeat, all four groups enjoyed their day with us. Limb Shipping, our match and matchball sponsors, chose Dion Sembie-Ferris as their man of the match, while we also welcomed the Iron Foundation as our captain and digital programme sponsors. A big thank you to all of our guests, with the Iron Foundation continuing to provide their support as a charitable arm to the football club.

Today we welcome DN Assessments Limited as our match sponsors. A key element of customer satisfaction at DN Assessments is their dedication to consistently providing exceptional service. In addition to their talented and experienced team, their dedicated staff form the backbone of their operations, handling the training of their clients in an efficient and transparent way from initial contact through to implementation. Their team consists of professionals with extensive experience and occupational competence in the fields they offer. At DN Assessments, their experienced assessors provide training and advice to ensure their clients receive a quality service every time.

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captain sponsors, and we thank them for all the work they continue to do as one of our supporters clubs. We also welcome the Denovan family as our digital programme sponsors. We hope all four groups have a fantastic day with us.

As always, we're always looking for new commercial partners and sponsors, and invite anyone to call or pop down for a chat to see what's available. Email glyn.sparks@scunthorpe-united.co.uk for more details.

We thank everyone for their continued support!

#### MESSAGES

The family are saddened to announce the passing of Scunthorpe United fan and darts hero, Keith Naylor.

Keith, who was darts champion of Lincolnshire, East Midlands, local pubs and clubs, and was in the News of the World finals.

The family extend their gratitude to the staff at Scunthorpe General Hospital and Bridgewater Park for their care of Keith. All at Scunthorpe United extend their sincere condolences.

#### MASCUTS

Today we welcome three mascots to the Attis Arena!



Seven-year-old Joshua Small (left) is our first. He enjoys anything football related, Harry Potter and reading and his favourite player is Reagan Ogle.

We also welcome Annabelle Newton, aged 10, and Oliver Newton, aged six, as our other mascots today. Both attend Bottesford Junior School. AnnabellE enjoys dancing, tumbling and cheerdance, while Oliver enjoys football, football and football, with a side of Pokemon. Neither have a favourite player, liking them all, while Oliver especially likes Scunny Bunny!



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**Hunny Bunny** 



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**Harry Parker** 

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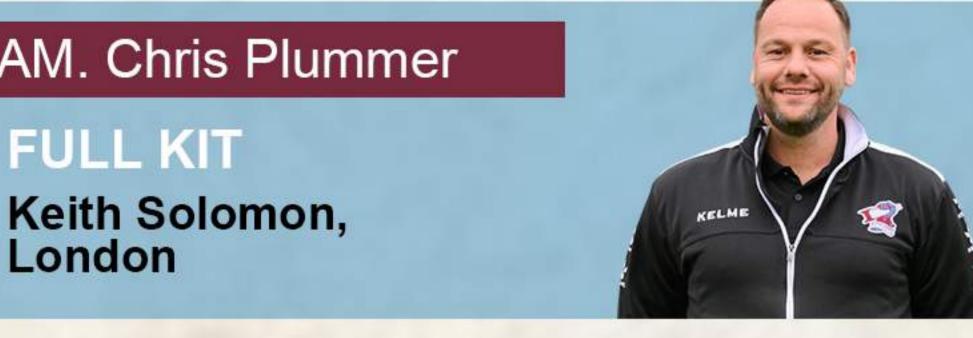


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As the club moves into March we look ahead to introducing a new range of products to compliment the already established range of products both in-store and online.

Since moving their operations into the Attis Arena, Merch Labs has continued to expand, this time by investing in a range of new equipment to allow new unique types of products to be produced and tested for the months coming up.

We also look forward to Merch Labs introduce a number of new mug and coaster designs into the club shop, this new designs will be a mix of new creative designs as well as some nostalgic retro shirt designs.

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Good luck to the Iron as they look for three points!

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# MIDLAND LEAGUE DUTIES A REALITY CHECK TWO MORE YORKIES AND A DERBY

Historian John Staff continues his 100-year rewind, looking back at 1923-24

It was still winter, a century ago, as Scunthorpe still shivered with frost covered pavements, which a weak sun could only just melt before giving way to the crescent of the moon, sometime around five o'clock.

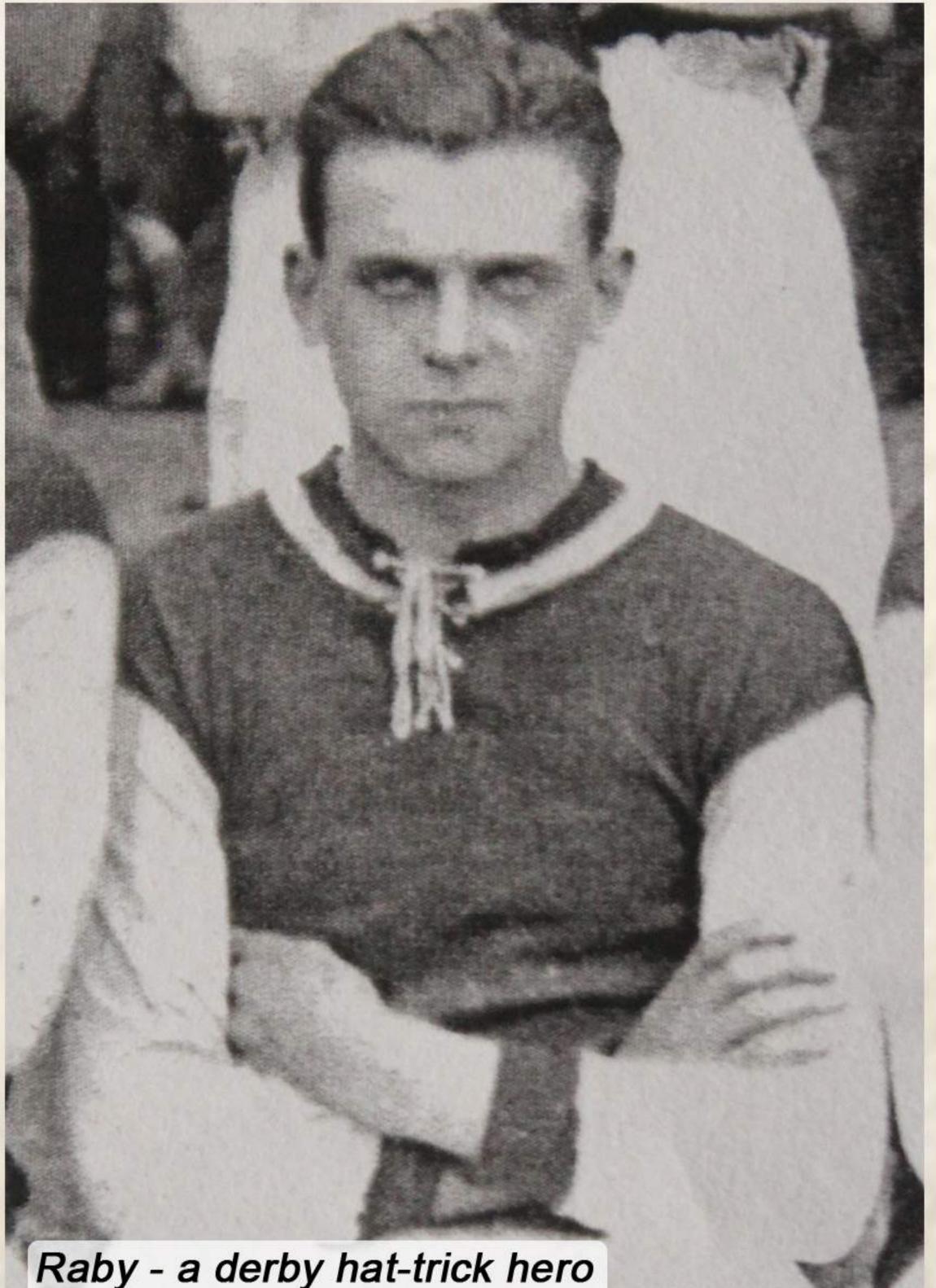
Up Clayfield Road, or Doncaster Road as it is nowadays, the Old Show Ground pitch was bone hard, and any grass on its baron surface was a distant memory. In times of yore, the referees did not even think about a pitch inspection, and would expect to allow games to start on carpets of snow, if the Northern or Easterly winds were in that sort of mood.

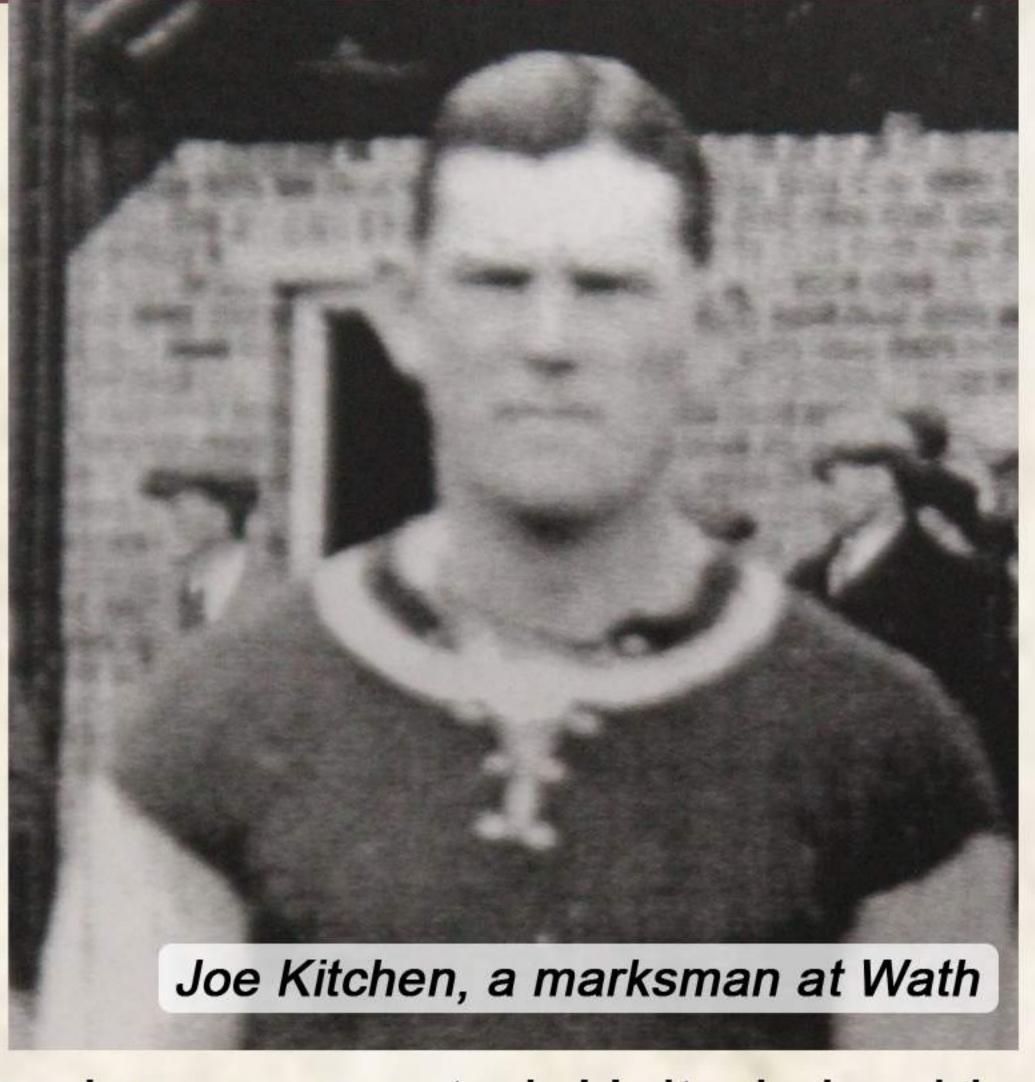
Since Christmas, Scunthorpe United had surged up the Midland League table at a rapid pace. In one spate of games, the Nuts had won five consecutive times without conceding a single goal. However, they fell short, by a 3-0 margin, when it came to journeying to Worksop Town, during a visit to one of the title challengers. It was a reality check that put any aspirations of a first Midland League title into perspective. Having noted this limitation, it must be said that the Nuts had a strong, and workman like team, who rolled up their sleeves, and on the Monday after losing to Worksop, went to Nottingham, and engineered a moral boosting single goal victory against the Reserves of the Forest side of the lace city.

Next on the fixture card was a home game, on February 23rd 1924, when the Yorkshiremen of Wath, sitting in the lower reaches of the table, were to be welcomed. This was the first time the first team had played at home in a fortnight, and the directors decided on one change to represent the Club. They had experimented with trials in the right wing position, but

without any success. In the end, having seen their choice in exchanges against Rotherham Town, Broskom was signed on a permanent basis, and put was straight into action, thus the following selection represented the Club: Reynolds, goalkeeper; Bradbury and Franklin, fullbacks; Skull, Ashmore, and Millson, halfbacks; Broskom, Kitchen, Raby, Green and Foster, forwards.

After ninety minutes of honest toil, it was a tale of missed chances, particularly by the Scunthorpe advanced line. At kick-off the visitors had the assistance of a noticeable breeze at their backs, but it was the Nuts who scored halfway through the first period. They had forced a number of corners, and from one of these, Foster crossed high into the box, causing the Wath keeper to fumble in an attempt to catch and clear. Joe Kitchen seized upon the loose ball, and forced it over the goal line with his chest from close range. This proved the only fruit of the game, but from the number of





chances created, United should have prospered better than 1-0. Credit had to be extended to the opposition for a gritty fight.

There was, once again, no rest for the wicked, and two days later the team assembled at Denaby, but without Broskom. Kitchen took his shirt on the right flank, and there was a welcome back to Burkinshaw, who was slotted in at inside right, because otherwise it was a case of as you were.

Scunthorpe United lasted until the twenty second minute, before going behind. Raby then managed to equalise, but that was as good as it was going to get. The Denaby Yorkshire miners then devoured the Nuts in the remaining hour, just like a supporter devouring a meat pie. At the end of a thoroughly challenging game, United found themselves bamboozled into a 1-5 defeat, and it could have been worse if Norman Reynolds had not had a good game in between the posts.

Supporters of the Nuts were understandably rocked by the poor result at Denaby, but all that was to be forgotten, because on March 1st 1924 it was the much anticipated visit from derby rivals, Gainsborough



Trinity. The Trinity 'Blue Boys' were sitting in mid-table, and the Nut was hoping to trip him up, and steal the two points. For this important fixture, Broskom was back in harness. Green at inside left was directed back to the second team, but with a pat on

the back, and the versatile Kitchen took up the inside left position, partnering Foster.

The day was far from ideal for football. Although the sun was out, a stiff wind, with a cold bite to it, blew anything not secured down, flying

across the pitch. It was obvious that good football was going to be thin on the ground, and ball control difficult, to say the least. It was these rough conditions to limit the crowd to around the two and a half thousand paying customers.

Ironically, it was with the more difficult wind against them that the Nuts raced into a commanding lead, and all thanks to the goal scoring prowess of centre forward Raby. His first was by taking advantage of a mix-up between two Gainsborough defenders, for a simple tap in. The other two goals were both headers, smartly nodded in. The 3-0 half-time score was all that Scunthorpe supporters could hope for, and allowed United to take it easier for the remainder of the match.

At its conclusion, Raby's hat-trick, without any reply, was the final score, even as the month of March had roared in like a lion.

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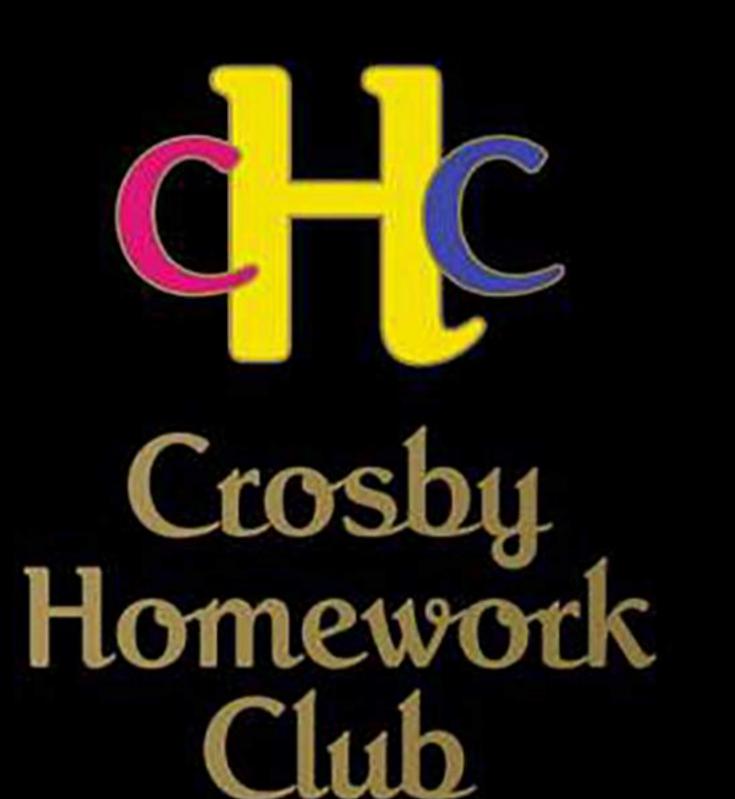
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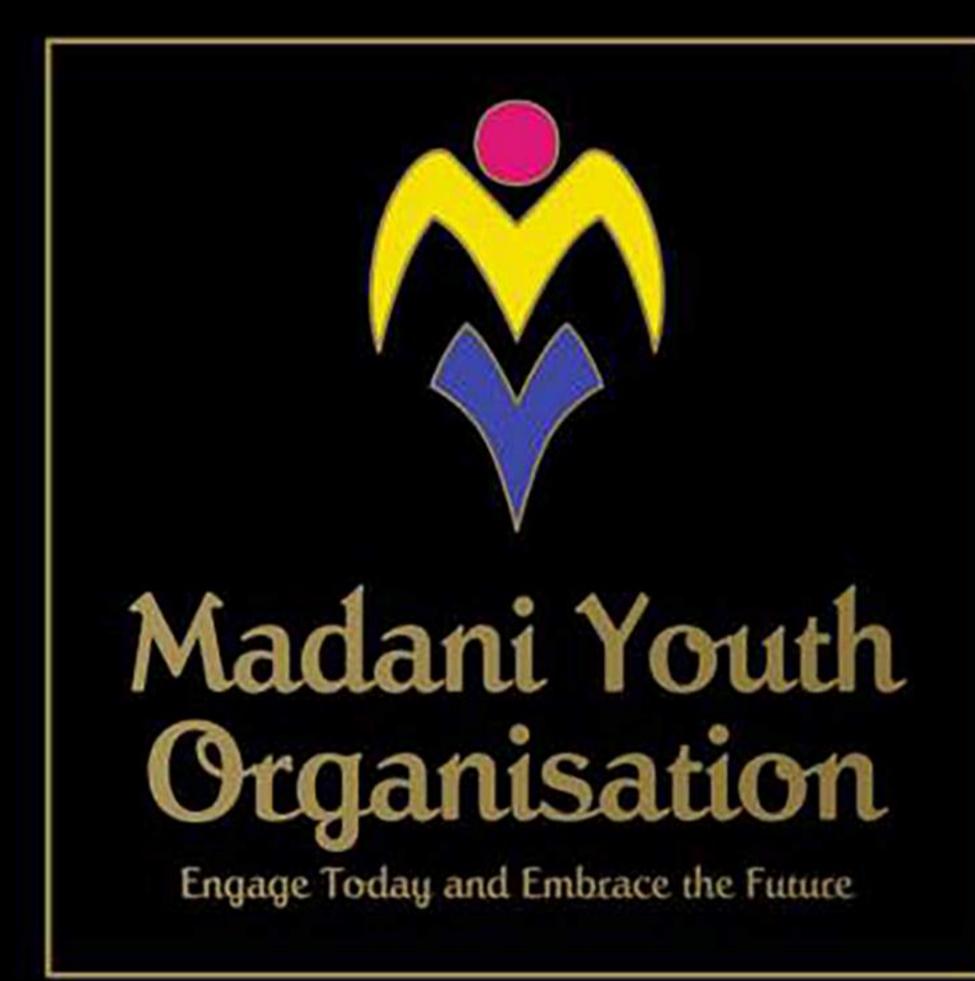








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#### OUR VISITORS TODAY

We take a look at this afternoon's opponents, first starting with their brief history of how they got to where they are today...



#### A BRIEF HISTORY

The present Alfreton Town
Football Club celebrated the
milestone of their Golden
Jubilee at the end of the 2008-09
campaign having been formed
in 1959 following the merger of
Alfreton Miners Welfare and
Alfreton United football clubs.

The newly constituted club, playing on a new ground at North Street provided by the local council, was admitted directly to the Central Alliance Division One (North) and progressed sufficiently in the first two seasons to gain entry to the re-formed Midland Counties League.

The record attendance at North Street of 5,023 was recorded for the visit of Matlock Town in 1960. After holding the wooden spoon in 1961-62 Alfreton seldom looked back and took the Midland League title in 1969-70 after several near misses.

After success, failure followed and the club was relegated from the Northern Premier League after two successful years, into the Northern Counties League.

The club was acquired in 1997 by

local businessman, Wayne Bradley, who took up the role of Chairman.

The 2001-02 campaign saw Chris Wilder, appointed Manager and unprecedented, success followed as the Reds landed four trophies - the Northern Counties (East) League Premier Division championship, League Cup, President's Cup and Derbyshire Senior Cup.

Promotion back to the Northern Premier League was followed by entering into the Conference (North).

The club today operates a Football in the Community coaching scheme in partnership with The National League Trust with around 1600 children receiving fully qualified tuition each year from the full time coaching staff, in addition to hosting numerous 'community' groups.

The 2008/09 campaign was one of the most successful in the club's entire history despite no silverware being won. Under manager Nicky Law, the Reds finished in their highest ever position of third in Conference North and competed in the play-offs for the first time

ever, narrowly losing out in the semi-finals on a 5-4 aggregate against AFC Telford United who lost out in the final.

The side were also guided to the FA Cup second round proper for the first time ever in the club's history, a 4-0 defeat at high-flying League One side Scunthorpe United doing little to diminish from the achievement of reaching that stage in the first place.

They'd go one step further in the following season, but lost in the final of the play-offs before their promotion hunt became successful in 2010-11 before suffering their first-ever relegation four years later to remain at the National League North.

Last season, they reached the play-offs, only to lose to the eventual promoted team, Kidderminster Harriers.

#### FACTFILE

FOUNDED: 1959
NICKNAME: The Reds

GROUND: The Impact Arena
CARACITY: 2.600

**CAPACITY:** 3,600

**CHAIRMAN:** Wayne Bradley

MANAGER: Billy Heath
2022-23 STANDING: 5th in NLN





#### MANAGER Billy Heath

Appointed manager in May 2018, Heath joined the Reds having steered former clubs North Ferriby United and FC Halifax Town to promotion from the Vanarama National League North.

The 52-year-old has enjoyed success with the Reds, particularly in the current season and will be confident that he can guide Alfreton into the end of season play-offs.

#### GOALKEEPER

#### George Willis

Willis progressed through the youth system at Sheffield United. He joined Boston United in May 2017 after opting to turn down an offer from Gainsborough Trinity. He penned new contracts with Boston United in 2018 and 2019 and was named player of the year before joining the Reds.

#### Jake Askew

Askew played through the age groups with Rotherham United for eight years. He has since then played for Retford, Heanor, Long Eaton and Skegness Town before joining Alfreton. He also spent four years playing and studying in America.

#### Josh Clackstone

Right-back Clackstone began his career with Hull City. In 2017 he joined Notts County on loan and Halifax Town in November 2017, where he played for Billy Heath. In July 2018 Hull released him and he was immediately signed by Alfreton Town.

#### ONE TO WATCH...

#### Billy Fewster

Age: 20

Nationality: English Position: Midfielder

Former Iron loanee Fewster was on the books at Leeds United before joining Nottingham Forest in the summer of 2021. Prior to that, he was at Pickering Town between the ages of eight and 11.

He made the Forest first team squad for an EFL Cup win at Grimsby Town at the start of the 2022-23 season. He made his first team debut on 7 January 2023 at Blackpool in the FA Cup, starting the game and playing 65 minutes before being substituted in Forest's 4-1 defeat at Bloomfield Road.

In February 2023, it was announced that Fewster had joined then National League side Scunthorpe United on loan for the remainder of the season. Fewster was released from Forest following their 2022-23 season.

He signed for Alfreton in the summer and has made a positive impression at the Impact Arena.

#### **Danny Preston**

Preston joined Nottingham Forest
Academy in 2016. During the
2018-19 season he trained with the
first team under Aitor Karanka. On
December 5th he joined Alfreton
Town on loan making 8
appearances for the Reds. In
September 2020 He joined Grimsby
Town on a season long loan making
29 appearances before returning to
Nottingham Forest. In July of 2021
he was released by Nottingham
Forest before returning to the Reds.

#### **Dwayne Wiley**

Wiley is a dominant central defender who joined Alfreton Town in 2020 after four years with local neighbours Matlock Town, who he joined after leaving Mickleover Sports.

#### **Kennedy Digie**

Kennedy Digie started his career at Kidderminster Harriers in 2015.
After a number of years there he joined Guiseley in 2020-21 before then going onto play for Hereford, Altrincham and last season Gloucester City.

#### Shaun Brisley

Club captain Brisley is an experienced defender who started his career with Macclesfield making his first team debut in March 2008, he went on to make 142 League and cup appearances in four years. He joined Peterborough United winning the 2014 EFL Trophy scoring in the final. His other clubs include Scunthorpe, Carlisle, Notts County, Port Vale, Wrexham and last season Buxton.

#### Kwame Boateng

Boateng is a defender who spent four years at Bradford City making two appearances for them in the FA Trophy in the 2016-17 season. He then played for Harrogate Town before signing for Guiseley and then Farsley Celtic. In the 2020-21 season he played for Welsh club The New Saints before signing for Sheffield Wednesday U23s. On

September 27th 2022 he resigned for Guiseley.

#### MIDFIELDERS

#### George Cantrill

Cantrill is a deep lying mifielder who started his career with Sheffield United in 2016 before moving onto Guiseley AFC where he was one of their outstanding performers last season which led to him earning a move to the Reds.

#### Liam Waldock

Liam Waldock is a midfielder who started his career with Sheffield Wednesday signing his first pro contract with them in September 2017 for three years making his first team debut against Fulham. He had a loan spell with Gainsborough Trinity before signing permanently with them in June 2022 making 40 appearances for them.

#### James Oliver

Oliver is a midfielder who played for Sheffield United, Bournemouth and Buxton academies before joining Handsworth and then Sheffield FC. He then signed for Alfreton Town before leaving to sign for Belper Town in season 2022-23.

#### FORWARDS

#### Jordan Thewlis

Thewlis started his career with the iron's U18's in 2011. In January 2012 he joined Gainsbrough Trinity moving onto Harrogate Town in July 2017. He has since played for Boston Utd, Guiseley and Spennymoor.

#### Ryan Taylor

Taylor is a striker who started with his hometown club Rotherham Utd in 2005. He spent six years with them scoring 24 goals in 134 appearances. In 2011 he joined Bristol City, before spells at Portsmouth, Oxford City, Plymouth Argyle, Newport and Grimsby Town, scoring 11 goals in 67 appearances.

#### Jake Day

Day is a striker who re-joined Alfreton Town having played for them previously in season 2020-21 before leaving to sign for Guiseley in season 2021/22. He then played for Scarborough, Matlock, Whitby and Marske, before signing for Spennymoor in March of last season.

#### ALFRETON TOWN'S LAST 10 GAMES...

MD24 - Alfreton Town 2-0 Chorley

MD25 - Warrington Town 2-2 Alfreton Town

MD26 - Peterborough Sports 1-1 Alfreton Town

MD27 - Southport 2-3 Alfreton Town

MD28 - Chorley 3-2 Alfreton Town

MD29 - Alfreton Town 0-0 Tamworth

MD30 - Curzon Ashton 2-1 Alfreton Town

MD31 - Darlington 0-2 Alfreton Town

MD32 - Alfreton Town 1-0 South Shields

MD32 - Alfreton Town 2-0 Banbury United

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The Reds come into the encounter having won their last three games without conceding a goal, beating South Shields, who the Iron lost to in midweek in the process.

In amongst their last 10 games, they also held league leaders Tamworth to a goalless draw, although were beaten by third-placed Chorley (although winning the home fixture 10 games go) and inconsistent side Southport, while being held to draws against Warrington Town and Peterborough Sports.

Alfreton are currently in fifth position with 56 points from their 33 games, and represent another potential banana skin for the Iron, and could come to within three points of second place with victory at the Attis Arena this afternoon.

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#### SUPPORTERS' GROUPS

We get the latest from the Iron Trust...

Hello once again as we gather to pay homage at the Attis Arena to our beloved SUFC against Alfreton Town who we played way back in September on a boiling hot late summers day where an entertaining 2-2 draw was served up.

Our popular newsletter written diligently by secretary Needers which goes out to all members on the eve of home matches (unless they have either unsubscribed or have given us a PayPal email which they do not look at very often!) proved very popular against Curzon Ashton and sparked another membership rush (currently at 948). The piece that caught most fans attention was the availability of shares in Scunthorpe United. Shares are available at a cost £20 each with a minimum purchase of five shares costing £100.

Don't worry though if the £100 is a bit steep for you at the moment. The Iron Trust has pledged to donate profits from every £10 new membership to the club in return for shares; currently the Trust owns £9000 worth.

New board member Matt Ellis was briefed on Trust activities behind the scenes over the course of the past year and was quietly impressed at the level of knowledge held by the board. The very next day Matt was invited onto Radio Humberside Sports Talk programme and did a fine job on behalf of the Trust.

Today, Iron Trust member Adam Foster is a special guest of the Trust for his assistance with the recently held board elections. Adam kindly volunteered to assist in both collecting the votes and the count itself. Many thanks Adam.

The much talked about Iron Trust AGM at which Michelle Harness gave a frank and open account of all things Scunthorpe United has received good plaudits from those in attendance.

During the evening Michelle informed our members that the £100,000 raised to buy shares from the previous owner had been via donations from several people.

Thank you also to Lee Turnbull, Cameron Wilson and Fin Shrimpton who came along with the boss.

We at the Trust cannot stress enough our gratitude and praise for all those involved in the taking over of Scunthorpe United, and securing our club for the future.

Up the mighty Iron!



The Irish Iron supporter's club has a number of items available for sale with clearance prices, available in our club shop.

The memorabilia is from memberships of seasons gone by, with shot glasses, scarves, badges, magnets and more available to acquire at discounted prices.

As always, every penny raised by Irish Iron as proceeds is returned to the football club as sponsorship, including player kit sponsorship, with the kit then raffled off to one of the members in the given season.

Head to the Iron's club shop to see the full range, wiht clothing available, along with limited edition items of which there are only a handful of quantities left. A number have the unity crest badge, which is desirable among a number of supporters.

Membership for the 2023-24 season is also available at £10 per person, plus postage and packing, if required. Members will receive an enamel badge, phone popper, membership card, plus entry into the raffles.

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Evans

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25 Gardiner

#### SUBSTITUTES

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#### IRON

Fitzsimons

Ogle Kelly

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Clunan

Elliott

15 Pugh 20 Scales

27 Sembie-Ferris

Whitehall 49

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- 9 Mulhern
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(for Wiles, 70)
10 Green
(for Colville, 78)
25 Rutledge
(for Mulhern, 87)

#### IRON

- 1 Fitzsimons
- 2 Ogle
- 5 Evans
- 6 Boyce 7 Clunan
- 12 McAlinden
- 19 Butterfield
- 20 Scales
- 27 Sembie-Ferris
- 33 Denton
- 49 Whitehall

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Sat 12	D1-1	Peterborough Sports	1000	Declan Brown	3380 (52 away)		Fitzsimons
Tue 15	W4-0	Darlington			3392 (339 away)		Fitzimons,
Sat 19	W3-0	Rushall Olympic		Lee Hible	937 (559 away)		Fitzsimons,
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Fri 8	L0-2	Solihull Moors	FAT	Dean Watson	1899 (29 away)		Fitzsimons
Sat 16	W3-0	Chorley	1	Dane McCarrick	3281 (101 away)	Whitehall (pen, 25', 63), Smith (52')	Fitzsimons
Sat 23	D0-0	Buxton	1	Shaun Taylor	1245 (529 away)		Fitzsimons,
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Sat 27	W1-0	Peterborough Sports	2	Neil Pratt	880 (600 away)	Roberts (17')	Fitzsimons,
Tue 30	L0-1	Tamworth	2	<b>Gareth Thomas</b>	5277 (249 away)		Fitzsimons
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Sat 3	W2-0	Rushall Olympic	2	Harry Jones	3285 (27 away)	Elliott (90'), Sembie-Ferris (90+7')	Fitzsimons
Tue 6	D1-1	Blyth Spartans	2	Thomas Wilson	810 (190 away)	Elliott (79')	Fitzsimons,
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- The Iron were the first away team to keep a clean sheet at Scarborough Athletic this season.
- The Iron have gone four league games without a win for the first time this season.
- The Iron have failed to score in the first half of their last six games.

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	Tamworth	35	13	<b>T</b>	3	10			23			57			74
2	Scunthorpe United	34	12	2	3	6	6	5	18	8	8	60	28	32	62
3	Chorley	33	12	3	3	5	5	5	17	8	8	58	37	21	59
4	Chester	35	11	3	3	5	7	6	16	10	9	44	25	19	58
5	Alfreton Town	33	10	4	3	6	4	6	16	8	9	56	39	17	56
6	Boston United	34	11	3	3	4	7	6	15	1(	9	44	32	12	55
7	Brackley Town	34	10	3	4	6	4	7	16	7	11	42	31	11	55
8	Scarborough Athletic	35	11	5	2	5	1	11	16	6	13	44	41	3	54
9	South Shields	35	10	3	5	5	5	7	15	8	12	56	43	13	53
10	Curzon Ashton	34	7	3	7	8	5	4	15	8	11	45	39	6	53
11	Hereford	34	10	4	4	5	3	8	15	7	12	42	46	-4	52
12	Warrington Town	34	7	5	4	7	4	7	14	9	11	49	41	8	51
13	Buxton	33	6	7	5	6	1	8	12	8	13	48	42	6	44
14	Farsley Celtic	33	6	6	5	5	5	6	11	11	11	31	36	-5	44
15	Blyth Spartans	34	6	5	5	5	4	9	11	9	14	49	51	-2	42
16	Spennymoor Town	32	6	4	6	6	2	8	12	6	14	46	50	-4	42
17	Peterborough Sports	32	5	4	6	6	4	7	11	8	13	38	46	-8	41
18	Southport	33	5	2	9	6	3	8	11	5	17	37	61	-24	38
19	Banbury United	32	4	4	7	6	3	8	10	7	15	30	50	-20	37
20	Rushall Olympic	32	5	5	7	4	3	8	9	8	15	43	51	-8	35
21	King's Lynn Town	33	3	6	7	5	5	7	8	11	14	39	53	-14	35
22	Gloucester City	35	5	3	9	2	5	11	7	8	20	38	59	-21	29
23	Darlington	33	2	7	7	5	0	12	7	7	19	26	58	-32	28
24	Bishop's Stortford	32	4	0	12	1	2	13	5	2	25	29	72	-43	17



# TOP GOALSCORERS

correct as February 23rd, 2023 at 5pm

#	Name	Team	Gls	#	Name	Team	Gls
1	Paul Blackett	South Shields	21	6	Justin Johnson	Chorley	12
2	Danny Waldron	Rushall Olympic	16	7	Kyle Finn	Tamworth	12
3	Danny Whitehall	Scunthorpe United	14	8	Harry Green	Scarborough Ath	11
4	Danny Newton	Brackley Town	14	9	Jason Cowley	Hereford	11
5	Isaac Buckley-Ricketts	Warrington Town	13	10	Jordan Thewlis	Alfreton Town	11





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		2023-24 IRON APPS	2023-24 IRON GOALS	2023-24 IRON MINS	IRON APPS	IRON GOALS	
1 Ross	FITZSIMONS	34 (0)	15	3060	38 (0)	14	
2 Reagan	OGLE	27 (0)	1	2354	65 (0)	1	
3 Michael	KELLY	6 (14)	1	697	10 (14)	1	
4 Max	KOUOGUN	17 (0)	1	1447	20 (0)	1	
5 Will	EVANS	32 (0)	2	2817	36 (0)	2	
6 Andrew	BOYCE	19 (3)	1	1757	89 (11)	4	
7 Michael	CLUNAN	25 (0)	0	2154	27 (0)	0	
8 Alfie	BEESTIN	8 (4)	2	794	102 (32)	9	
9 Danny	ELLIOTT	17 (12)	8	1575	28 (19)	11	
10 Callum	ROBERTS	6 (5)	3	619	7 (5)	3	
11 Cameron	WILSON	12 (12)	1	1202	39 (34)	7	
12 Liam	McALINDEN	2 (0)	0	174	2 (0)	0	
13 Maison	CAMPBELL	0 (0)	0	0	0 (0)	0	
15 Tom	PUGH	3 (6)	0	268	45 (28)	0	
19 Jacob	BUTTERFIELD	28 (3)	7	2328	72 (5)	12	
20 Kian	SCALES	33 (0)	1	2822	35 (0)	1	
21 Flynn	CLARKE	0 (1)	0	6	0 (1)	0	
24 Dylan	YOUMBI	0 (1)	0	23	0 (1)	0	
26 Jason	LAW	12 (3)	2	913	12 (4)	2	
27 Dion	SEMBIE-FERRIS	6 (5)	2	593	11 (9)	2	
33 Tyler	DENTON	32 (1)	3	2807	35 (2)	3	
44 Ross	BARROWS	5 (5)	0	539	6 (5)	0	
49 Danny	WHITEHALL	26 (5)	14	2193	29 (5)	14	
	OWN GOALS		2				
Players out on	loan						
Marcus	CARVER	0 (0)	0	0	9 (11)	0	
14 Richie	BENNETT	2 (1)	0	151	11 (3)	1	
17 Harrison	POULTER	0 (0)	0	0	0 (8)	0	
18 Josh	ROBERTSON	0 (0)	0	0	0 (2)	0	
22 Fin	SHRIMPTON	5 (11)	2	664	25 (13)	2	
Players no lon	ger at the club						
21 Connor	SMITH	12 (4)	6	1093	14 (5)	7	
23 Jack	JENKINS	4 (4)	0	426	5 (4)	0	

<sup>\*</sup>Note that for goalkeepers in green, their clean sheet figures are denoted instead of goals.

#### IT'S AN IRON STAT!

Andrew Boyce has now made 100 appearances for the Iron, appearing in four different leagues for the club across 10 years - 89 starts, 11 subs, five goals, 20 clean sheets.

<sup>^</sup> Abandoned game v Buxton - stats not included as result expunged



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#### TUESDAY. MARCH 5TH - 7.45PM

The Iron are set to face lower table languishers Darlington for the third time this campaign under the lights of the Blackwell Meadows stadium, with this fixture at the second time of asking following a late postponement in January.

The encounter against the Quakers will be the 94th game between the two sides, of which Scunthorpe have won 40 of the historic ties, with Darlo winning 31. In the two previous fixtures this season, the Iron have triumphed on both occasions firstly winning 4-0 in mid-August in the league, and then proving victorious again by winning 2-0 in the Isuzu FA Trophy.

#### THE STADIUM

With a capacity of 3,281 (of which 588 are seated), Darlington are renowned for their passionate fanbase that has seen their club's unfortunate demise not too dissimilar to Scunthorpe.

Following their formation in 1833, the Quakers played their football at Feethams; this was until plans were formed for the

team to move into the 25,00-seater Darlington Arena, but unfortunate circumstances led to the club being forced into administration and hence moved into the new Blackwell Meadows ahead of the 2012-13 season.

#### BYCAR

199 miles away from Glanford Park, Blackwell Meadows is an estimated 1 hour and 40 minutes away when travelling by car.

- > Take Doncaster Rd/A18 to A1077
- > Take M180, M62 and A1 to Bridge Road/A66 in North Yorkshire
- > Continue on Bridge Rd/A66 before finding the stadium on your second right.

#### CAR PARKING

There is some parking available at the ground which costs £5 per car. Continue past the stadium entrance towards Darlington, then turn right at the next mini roundabout and there is street parking available alongside the park. It is then around a 10-minute walk to Blackwell Meadows.

ALTERNATIVE TRAVEL

Darlington Railway Station is located one-and-a-half miles away from Blackwell Meadows. There is a possibility to either take a taxi from the station, or embark on the 30 minute walk to the ground. As you come out of the main railway entrance, you will see Hogans Bar on one corner. Keeping the bar on your left and proceed straight along Victoria Road. Go straight across at the next roundabout continuing along Victoria Road. At the next larger roundabout take the first exit by Sainsburys onto the A167 (Grange Road) towards Northallerton. Follow this road for around one mile. After passing a park on your left you will reach the ground entrance further down on the same side.

#### FACILITIES

For fans there is a clubhouse at the ground itself which is opened to supporters of both clubs. There is a lack of other pubs near to Blackwell Meadows. In fact the nearest bars and pubs are located one mile away in Darlington town centre, which is around a twenty minute walk away. Some of the picks of these are some of those that are listed in the CAMRA Good Beer Guide, such as the Number Twenty 2.



### GIESTER

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 2ND, 2024 - 3PM KICK-OFF

The Iron return to Attis Arena action for the second consecutive Saturday as Jimmy Dean's side prepare to face National league North promotion hopefuls Chester FC in a crucial top of the table clash.

The reverse fixture between United and the Seals was a disappointing one for all travelling fans as the Deva Stadium was the venue when Chester triumphed 2-0 winners, when a dominant performance topped off by a stunning strike by former Iron midfielder Elliott Whitehouse.

Since the sides met on the Welsh border in late September, Chester have found themselves on a non-stop surge up the league standings, a rise that sees Calum McIntyre's Seals join Scunthorpe in their hunt to try and overtake league leaders Tamworth as the campaign reaches its climax.

Amongst the Chester ranks is previously mentioned midfielder Elliott Whitehouse. The former Sheffield United man joined the Blues following the expiry of his Scunthorpe contract in the summer of 2023. During his time in claret and blue, Whitehouse struggled to find regular first team football to begin with which saw him be sent on loan to Chester before the deal was made permanent.

Not only is the encounter set to be a top of the table clash, but the Iron are aiming to break the National League North attendance record with a number of ticket offers available in order to accomplish this task.

## TICKET NEWS

PAY ON THE DAY: Supporters can pay on the day by purchasing online, by visiting the ticket office with payment by card or by contactless (in the Vertikal Stand) or matchday ticket booth (in the corner between the Britcon and Mortz Stands).

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		2	REAGAN OGLE			JAKE ASKEW
		3	MICHAEL KELLY			SHAUN BRISLEY
		4	MAX KOUOGUN			GEORGE CANTRILL
		5	WILL EVANS			JOSHUA CLACKSTONE
		6	ANDREW BOYCE			JAKE DAY
		7	MICHAEL CLUNAN			GEORGE DICKINSON
		8	ALFIE BEESTIN			KENNEDY DIGIE
		9	DANNY ELLIOT			BILLY FEWSTER
		10	CALLUM ROBERTS			DECLAN HOWE
		11	CAMERON WILSON			ADAM LUND
		12	LIAM MCALINDEN			GERRY MCDONAGH
		13	MAISON CAMPBELL			NATHAN NEWALL
		14	RICHIE BENNETT			JAMES OLIVER
		15	TOM PUGH			HARRY PERRITT
		17	HARRISON POULTER			DANNY PRESTON
		18	JOSH ROBERTSON			MATT RHEAD
		19	JACOB BUTTERFIELD			LEWIS SALMON
		20	KIAN SCALES			JOE STACEY
		21	FLYNN CLARKE			BEN STARKIE
		22	FIN SHRIMPTON			KELAN SWALES
		24	DYLAN YOUMBI			RYAN TAYLOR
		26	JASON LAW			JORDAN THEWLIS
		27	DION SEMBIE-FERRIS			LIAM WALDOCK
		33	TYLER DENTON			JAMIE WALKER
		44	ROSS BARROWS			HARVEY WIGGLESWORTH
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